CHAPTER 1020

FISCAL YEAR OF POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS

S. F. 1125

AN ACT to change the fiscal year of cities and towns, counties, and other political subdivisions.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Purpose and effective date. The purpose of this Act is to change the budget year of cities, counties, and all other political 3 subdivisions of the state from a calendar year beginning January first 4 and ending December thirty-first to a fiscal year beginning July first 5 and ending the following June thirtieth. The provisions of sections twelve (12) through ninety-four (94) of this Act, except sections fifty-6 7 three (53) through sixty (60), inclusive, and sections ninety-two (92) and ninety-three (93) of this Act, shall become effective July 1, 1975 9 except that budget procedures necessary for implementation of the fiscal year budget shall be in effect as otherwise provided in sections 10 twelve (12) through ninety-four (94) of this Act. Sections fifty-three 11 12 (53) through sixty (60), inclusive, and sections ninety-two (92) and ninety-three (93) of this Act, shall become effective December 1, 1974, 13 with respect to all special assessments levied after December 1, 1974, 14 or bonds issued in anticipation of the payment of such assessments. 15 In order to implement the provisions of this Act there shall be an 16 extended calendar budget year commencing January 1, 1974 and end-17 ing June 30, 1975. Budgets for this period of time shall be as provided in section three (3) of this Act. For the purpose of this Act, 18 19 20 the term school district, when applicable, shall apply to merged area 21 schools and joint county systems.

1 Sec. 2. Rules and regulations. The state appeal board, as defined 2 in chapter twenty-four (24) of the Code may adopt rules and regulations for the administration of this Act.

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SEC. 3. Extended fiscal year. The fiscal year of cities, counties, and other political subdivisions of the state shall begin July first and end the following June thirtieth commencing July 1, 1975. For the purpose of implementing the provisions of this Act, the fiscal year beginning January 1, 1974 and ending December 31, 1974, shall be extended to include the six-month period beginning January 1, 1975 and ending June 30, 1975; therefore, the period of time for budgetary appropriations, and administration of cities, counties, and other political subdivisions of the state shall begin January 1, 1974 and end June 30, 1975. Thereafter, the fiscal year shall begin July first and end on the following June thirtieth.

The provisions relating to the budget for the extended fiscal year shall apply to only those cities and towns, counties, and other political subdivisions which are on the effective date of this Act operating on a calendar year budget. If any cities and towns, counties, or other political subdivisions are operating on a budget for a fiscal year commencing on July first and ending on the following June thirtieth, the extended fiscal year budget shall not apply.

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For the extended fiscal year, budgets shall be prepared in the same manner as prepared for a calendar year, except that they shall include

21 estimated expenditures for the extended year of eighteen months. 22 The amounts certified by the various taxing districts to the county auditor shall be for the extended year of eighteen months. The coun-23 24 ty auditor shall cause the taxes to be levied for the extended eighteen-month period in the same manner as previously accomplished under a twelve-month period, and based on the property tax valua-25 26 tions of January 1, 1973. Any annual millage limitation, including those for emergency levies, applicable to the taxing districts otherwise provided by law shall for this extended period be increased by 27 28 29 30 fifty percent. 31

The county treasurers for the period beginning January 1, 1974 and ending June 30, 1975, shall cause the levy received from the county auditor for cities, counties, and other political subdivisions budgeted on a calendar year period but which will levy for the extended year beginning January 1, 1974, to be paid in three equal installments, on the dates provided in section four hundred forty-five point thirty-seven (445.37) of the Code in effect prior to July 1, 1975, for the calendar

year 1974 and the first six-month period in the year 1975.

All statutes relating to delinquencies, liens, tax sales, and the like shall be in full force and effect, except that applicable dates shall be extended in the same manner as the payment dates.

SEC. 4. School fiscal year. The budget preparation and certification for school districts for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1974 shall be carried out pursuant to chapters twenty-four (24) and two hundred ninety-eight (298) of the Code. Taxes for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1974 shall be payable as follows:

1. One-half of the amount of taxes due for each school district, certified in December, 1974 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1974, shall be due and payable before April 1, 1975 as provided in chapter

9 four hundred forty-five (445) of the Code.

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2. The second half of the amount of taxes due for each school district, certified in December, 1974 for the school year beginning July 1, 1974, shall be cancelled, void, not spread, and never collected.

SEC. 5. General fund balance. Any school district which closes the fiscal year ending June 30, 1975 with a deficit balance remaining on hand in the general fund may obtain funds pursuant to one of the following methods:

1. The school district may make application to the state appeal board for a loan from the permanent school fund of the state, established in section three hundred two point one (302.1) of the Code, equal to the amount necessary to bring the balance remaining on hand in the general fund to zero on June 30, 1975. The provisions of section four hundred seven point two (407.2) of the Code shall not apply to this subsection.

The loan to the school district shall be payable by the school district in nine equal payments, plus interest, to the permanent school fund, commencing July 1, 1976. Interest on the loan shall be paid as follows:

a. For the period commencing July 1, 1976 and ending June 30,

1978, no interest shall be charged or collected.

b. For the period commencing July 1, 1978 and ending June 30, 1981, the rate of interest shall be two percent per year computed on the unpaid balance of the loan, as computed by the state comptroller.

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- c. For the period commencing July 1, 1981 and ending June 30, 1984, the rate of interest shall be four percent per year computed on the unpaid balance of the loan, as computed by the state comptroller.
- All applications for loans shall be made upon forms prepared by the 24 25 state comptroller. The application forms, and any other forms necessary to complete the loan, shall be approved by the attorney general. 26 27 Upon approval of the loan by the state appeal board, the state comp-28 troller shall cause the loan to be made from the permanent school 29 However, if the total amount of loans approved by the state appeal board exceeds eighty percent of the amount deposited in the 30 permanent school fund, the state comptroller shall reduce the amount 31 32 of each school district's approved loan proportionately so that the 33 total amount loaned shall not exceed eighty percent of the permanent 34 school fund.
 - 2. The school district may utilize the provisions of sections two hundred ninety-eight point fifteen (298.15), two hundred ninety-eight point sixteen (298.16), and two hundred ninety-eight point seventeen (298.17) of the Code. The provisions of section four hundred seven point two (407.2) of the Code shall not apply to this subsection.
 - SEC. 6. Homestead tax credit. The millage credit of not to exceed twenty-five mills, provided in section four hundred twenty-five point one (425.1) of the Code, shall be increased to not to exceed thirtyseven and one-half mills for the extended fiscal year commencing January 1, 1974 and ending June 30, 1975.
 - Homestead credit for elderly or disabled. The homestead credit for low income persons over sixty-five years of age or totally disabled, provided in section four hundred twenty-five point one (425.1), subsection five (5), of the Code, as amended by chapter one 3 hundred sixty-five (165), section thirty-nine (39), Acts of the Sixtyfourth General Assembly, First Session, of one hundred twenty-five dollars shall be increased to one hundred eighty-seven dollars and fifty cents for the fiscal year commencing January 1, 1974 and ending 8 9 June 30, 1975.
 - SEC. 8. Personal property tax credit. The amounts due each taxing district for personal property tax credit, provided in section four hundred twenty-seven A point seven (427A.7) of the Code, shall be paid in three equal payments by the state comptroller by March 15, 1974, September 15, 1974, and March 15, 1975 for cities and towns, counties and other political subdivisions operating under the extended fiscal year commencing January 1, 1974 and ending June 30, 1975. Where necessary the personal property tax credit shall be computed separately for school districts.
 - SEC. 9. Existing obligations. No state aid, grant or reimburse-1 2 ment of moneys paid or required to be paid shall be eliminated or 3 changed irrespective of the extended fiscal year. No money owed to any political subdivision for any improvement shall be eliminated or 4 5 changed, irrespective of the extended fiscal year.
 - 1 In the event that funds are not available during the ex-2 tended fiscal year for cities, counties, and other political subdivisions 3 to make their legal and timely payments upon the principal or interest of any special assessment or general obligation bonds as due by

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reason of the tax collection periods established in this Act, then the affected city, county, or other political subdivision shall transfer funds 6 from any other source to meet this obligation, notwithstanding any other statute. Any such funds so transferred shall be repayable from the general tax collections or applicable special assessment collections, 9 when received. This section shall not be printed as a permanent part 10 of the Code and shall be printed in the session laws only. 11

Any new construction or reconstruction or additions to SEC. 11. existing structures that are started, partial or additional construction accomplished thereon, or completed after January 1, 1973 shall be valued, assessed, and placed upon the tax rolls during the extended fiscal year and the initial fiscal year thereafter upon January 1, 1974, July 1, 1974, and January 1, 1975 and thereafter as provided by law. Any taxpayer who desires to contest or protest the valuations so placed upon his property, shall pay the tax due thereon upon the valuation and assessment as made, under protest. Such taxpayer shall, thereafter, have the right to file a protest or appeal of such valuations or assessments with the appropriate tax review board during the calendar year 1974 or 1975, as provided by law, any other statute limiting the time limit for such appeal or protest to the contrary notwithstanding. If the appropriate review board or court reduces or eliminates the valuation or assessment in favor of the taxpayer, the taxing body or bodies that received the increased revenue or revenues by reason of the increased valuation or assessment, shall repay to the taxpayer the difference between the revenue actually raised and that which would have been raised upon the basis of the lower or eliminated valuation. In the event that the appropriate board of review or court raises the valuation previously set by the assessor, the taxpayer shall immediately pay to the treasurer for distribution to the appropriate taxing bodies the difference between what the taxpayer actually paid and what he should have paid by reason of the increased valuation or assessment. This section granting additional time to a taxpayer to appeal or protest the valuation or assessment of his property shall be effective for the calendar years 1974 and 1975, only. The taxing bodies to which the extended fiscal year applies shall take into consideration the growth of their tax base which reasonably will occur by reason of this section and shall determine their levy accordingly. This section shall not be printed as a permanent part of the Code and shall be printed in the session laws only.

SEC. 12. Section eight point six (8.6), subsection thirteen (13), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

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13. Certification for levy. On August 1 February first the state comptroller shall, for each year of the biennium, certify to the department of revenue, the amount of money to be levied for general state taxes.

SEC. 13. Section twenty-four point two (24.2), subsection four (4), Code 1971, is amended by striking the subsection and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

4. The words "fiscal year" shall mean the period of twelve months beginning on July first and ending on the thirtieth day of June.

SEC. 14. Section twenty-four point three (24.3), unnumbered paragraph one (1) and subsection three (3), Code 1971, are amended to read as follows:

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No municipality shall certify or levy in any *fiscal* year any tax on property subject to taxation unless and until the following estimates have been made, filed, and considered, as hereinafter provided:

3. The amount proposed to be expended in each and every fund and for each and every general purpose during the fiscal year next ensuing, which in the case of school corporations municipalities shall be the period of twelve months beginning on the first day of July of the current calendar year.

SEC. 15. Section twenty-four point seventeen (24.17), unnumbered paragraph one (1), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

The local budgets of the various municipalities shall be certified by the chairman of the certifying board or the levying board, as the case may be, in duplicate to the county auditor not later than the fifteenth day of August February fifteenth each year and school districts the fifteenth day of July December fifteenth each year, on blanks prescribed by the state board, and according to rules and instructions which shall be furnished all certifying and levying boards in printed form by said state board.

SEC. 16. Section twenty-four point nineteen (24.19), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

24.19 Levying board to spread tax. At the time required by law the levying board shall spread the tax rates necessary to produce the amount required for the various funds of the municipality as certified by the certifying board, for the next succeeding fiscal year, as shown in the approved budget in the manner provided by law. One copy of said rates shall be certified to the state board.

SEC. 17. Section twenty-four point twenty (24.20), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

24.20 Tax rates final. The several tax rates and levies of the municipalities thus determined and certified in the manner provided in the preceding sections, except such as are authorized by a vote of the people, shall stand as the tax rates and levies of said municipality for the ensuing fiscal year for the purposes set out in the budget.

SEC. 18. Section twenty-four point twenty-five (24.25), subsections one (1) and two (2), Code 1971, are amended to read as follows:

- 1. On or before the January first day of each year, each elective or appointive officer or board, except tax certifying boards as defined in subsection 3 of section 24.2, having charge of any county office or department shall prepare and submit to the county auditor the following:
- a. An estimate of the actual expenditures of such office or department during the current *fiscal* year;
- b. A statement of the requested expenditures to be budgeted for such office for the next calendar fiscal year;
- such office for the next ealendar fiscal year;

 c. An estimate of the revenues, except property tax, to be collected for the county by such office during the current fiscal year;
- d. An estimate of the revenues, except property tax, to be collected for the county by such office during the next ealendar fiscal year.

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Such estimates and statements shall be itemized in the same manner as the various expenditures and revenues are itemized in the records of the auditor.

2. On or before the *January* tenth day of July of each year, the auditor shall submit to the board of supervisors, a compilation of the various office and department estimates in as much detail as they were submitted to him. With this compilation, the auditor shall show the itemized expenditures and revenues for the two years preceding the current *fiscal* year and an estimate of the cash *and unencumbered* balances of each county fund at the end of the current *fiscal* year.

SEC. 19. Section twenty-four point twenty-seven (24.27), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

Protest to budget. Not later than the first Tuesday in September March, a number of persons in any municipality equal to one-fourth of one percent of those voting for the office of governor at the last general election in said municipality, but in no event less than ten, who are affected by any proposed budget, expenditure or tax levy, or by any item thereof, may appeal from any decision of the certifying board or the levying board, as the case may be, by filing with the county auditor of the county in which such municipal corporation is located, a written protest setting forth their objections to such budget, expenditure or tax levy, or to one or more items thereof, and the grounds for such objections; provided that at least three of such persons shall have filed a joint written objection, at or before the time of the meeting contemplated in section 24.11 which shall include a detailed statement of the objections to said budget, expenditures or tax levy for each and every fund, or the items therein to which objection is taken and an analysis of the fund or funds, or items therein showing grounds for such objections or shall have appeared and made objection, either general or specific, as provided by section 24.11. Upon the filing of any such protest, the county auditor shall immediately prepare a true and complete copy of said written protest, together with the budget, proposed tax levy or expenditure to which objections are made, and shall transmit the same forthwith to the state board, and shall also send a copy of such protest to the certifying board or to the levying board, as the case may be.

SEC. 20. Section twenty-four point thirty-two (24.32), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

24.32 Decision certified to county. After a hearing upon such appeal, the state board shall certify its decision with respect thereto to the county auditor, and such decision shall be final. The county auditor shall make up his records in accordance with such decision and the levying board shall make its levy in accordance therewith. Upon receipt of such decision, the county auditor shall immediately notify both parties thereof, whereupon the certifying board shall correct its records accordingly, if necessary. Final disposition of all such appeals shall be made by the state board on or before October 15 April fifteenth of each year.

SEC. 21. Section seventy-six point two (76.2), unnumbered paragraph two (2), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

3 If the resolution is so filed prior to the April first day of October, 4 said annual levy shall begin with the tax levy of the year of filing. If

the resolution is filed after the April first day of October in any year, such levy shall begin with the levy of the calendar fiscal year succeeding the year of the filing of such resolution. However, the governing authority of a political subdivision may adjust any levy of taxes made under the provisions of this section prior to July 1, 1975, for the purpose of adjusting the annual levies and collections in accordance with the provisions of this Act and the extended fiscal year provided herein.

SEC. 22. Section seventy-nine point seven (79.7), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

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79.7 Report of fees. All officers required by the provisions of this Code to collect and pay over fines and fees shall, except as otherwise provided, on the first Monday in January July in each year, make report thereof under oath to the board of supervisors of the proper county, showing the amount of fines assessed, and the amount of fines and fees collected, together with vouchers for the payment of all sums collected to the proper officer.

SEC. 23. Section one hundred seventy-six A point eight (176A.8), subsections nine (9) and seventeen (17), Code 1971, are amended to read as follows:

9. To prepare annually on or before July 31 January thirty-first a budget for the fiscal year beginning January 1 July first and ending December 31 the following June thirtieth in accordance with the provisions of chapter 24 and certify the same to the board of supervisors of the county of their extension district as required by law.

17. To file with the county auditor and to publish in two newspapers of general circulation in the district before February 1 August first full and detailed reports under oath of all receipts and expenditures of such county agricultural extension education fund showing from whom received, to whom paid and for what purpose for the last fiscal year.

SEC. 24. Section one hundred seventy-six A point ten (176A.10), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

176A.10 County agricultural extension education tax. The extension council of each extension district shall, at a regular or special meeting held in July January in each year, estimate the amount of money required to be raised by taxation for financing the county agricultural extension education program authorized in this chapter. The amount so estimated shall not exceed the amount of money which the following millage rate will produce, based on the assessed value of the taxable property in the extension district: For the "county agricultural extension education fund" annually not to exceed one-half mill on the dollar of assessed valuation, except in districts having a population of less than forty thousand the tax levied shall not exceed three-fourths mill, provided, however, that no extension council in an extension district shall make an estimate or certify an amount in any one year in excess of forty thousand dollars in districts having a population of fifty thousand or more, in excess of thirty-three thousand dollars in districts having a population under fifty thousand population, which shall be the maximum amount that any such extension district shall be entitled to receive annually from the county. extension council in every extension district shall in every respect comply with chapter 24.

1 SEC. 25. Section two hundred seventy-three point thirteen 2 (273.13), subsection ten (10), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

10. At the regular or special meeting held between July 1 January first and July 15 January fifteenth, consider the budget as submitted by the county superintendent, and certify to the county-auditor the estimates of the amounts needed. Such estimates shall follow the budget procedure under chapter 24. The boards or board of supervisors of the county or counties, territory which comprises the territory of the county school system, shall levy a tax on all the taxable property in the county school system for the amount certified.

SEC. 26. Section two hundred seventy-three point eighteen (273.18), subsection fifteen (15), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

15. Prepare and submit a detailed itemized budget, for approval of the county board of education prior to the January first day of July of each year.

SEC. 27. Section three hundred ten point twenty-seven (310.27), unnumbered paragraph one (1), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

The farm-to-market road fund allotted to any county as provided in this chapter shall remain available for expenditure in said county for three years after the close of the calendar fiscal year during which said sums respectively were allocated. Any sum remaining unexpended at the end of the period during which it is available for expenditure, shall be reapportioned among all the counties as provided in section 312.5 for original allocations.

SEC. 28. Section three hundred twelve point twelve (312.12), Code

1971, is amended to read as follows:

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312.12 Program submitted. Cities which receive allotments of funds from road use tax funds which have a population of at least five thousand shall prepare and submit annually by December 10 June tenth in each year to the state highway commission for examination and review, a program of street construction and reconstruction on both the arterial street system and the local street system of such city for a period of three years subsequent to the year in which the program is submitted. Such cities and towns which have a population of less than five thousand shall prepare and submit annually by December 10 June tenth each year to the state highway commission for examination and review, a program of proposed street construction and reconstruction for its arterial streets and local streets for the ensuing ealendar fiscal year.

SEC. 29. Section three hundred twelve point thirteen (312.13),

Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

312.13 Cities to submit budget. Cities and towns which receive allotments of funds from road use tax funds shall prepare and submit by December 10 June tenth each year to the state highway commission for examination and review, a budget showing all proposed street receipts and expenditures for the city or town for the ensuing calendar fiscal year.

SEC. 30. Section three hundred twelve point fourteen (312.14), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

312.14 Cities to submit report. Cities and towns in the state which receive allotments of funds from road use tax funds shall prepare and submit by March 10 September tenth each year to the state highway commission an annual report showing all street receipts and expenditures for the city or town for the previous calendar fiscal year.

SEC. 31. Section three hundred seventeen point twenty-one (317.21), subsections one (1), two (2), and three (3), Code 1971, are amended to read as follows:

1. Annually, after the weed commissioner has completed his program of destruction of weeds by reason of noncompliance by persons responsible therefor, the board of supervisors shall determine as to each tract of real estate the actual cost of labor and materials used by the commissioner in cutting, burning or otherwise destroying said weeds, the cost of serving notice and special meetings or proceedings, To the total of all such sums expended, they shall add an amount equal to twenty-five percent thereof to compensate for the cost of supervision and administration and assess the resulting sum against said tract of real estate by a special tax, which shall be certified to the county auditor and county treasurer by the clerk of the board of supervisors, and shall be placed upon the tax books, and collected, together with interest and penalty after due, in the same manner as other unpaid taxes. Such tax shall be due on March 1 September first after such assessment, and shall be delinquent after March 31 September thirtieth. When collected, said funds shall be paid into the fund from which said costs were originally paid.

2. Before making any such assessment, the board of supervisors shall prepare a plat or schedule showing the several lots, tracts of land or parcels of ground to be assessed which shall be in accord with the assessor's records and the amount proposed to be assessed against each of the same for destroying or controlling weeds during the ealen-

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3. Such board shall thereupon fix a time for the hearing on such proposed assessments, which time shall not be later than December 15 June fifteenth of the year, and at least twenty days prior to the time thus fixed for such hearing shall give notice thereof to all concerned that such plat or schedule is on file, and that the amounts as shown therein will be assessed against the several lots, tracts of land or parcels of ground described in said plat or schedule at the time fixed for such hearing, unless objection is made thereto. Notice of such hearing shall be given by one publication in official county newspapers in the county in which the property to be assessed is situated; or by posting a copy of such notice on the premises affected and by mailing a copy by certified mail to the last known address of the person owning or controlling said premises. At such time and place the owner of said premises or anyone liable to pay such assessment, may appear with the same rights given by law before boards of review, in reference to assessments for general taxation.

SEC. 32. Section three hundred thirty-three point eleven (333.11), unnumbered paragraph one (1), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

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The county auditor shall, during the month of January July of each year, compile and prepare a financial report, which shall contain schedules showing:

SEC. 33. Section three hundred thirty-seven point fifteen (337.15), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

337.15 Condemnation funds. On or before the July first day of January in each year the sheriff of each county having any condemnation funds in his possession shall make a detailed report under oath of all funds in his possession received from condemnation proceedings of any kind that have been finally adjudicated, reciting therein the names of the parties to whom said funds belong, when received, and describing the property condemned, which report shall be filed with the county treasurer, and the sum so shown due from such sheriff paid over to the county treasurer, who shall make a detailed receipt therefor.

SEC. 34. Section three hundred thirty-seven point eighteen (337.18), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

337.18 Record of funds. Any sheriff receiving funds as provided in section 337.16 shall list the same in detail in a book kept for that purpose, and pay the same to the parties entitled thereto, upon final adjudication of such cases, or if held, after final adjudication until the end of the calendar fiscal year to the county treasurer as provided in section 337.15.

SEC. 35. Section three hundred forty point three (340.3), Code 1971, as amended by chapter one hundred ninety-eight (198), section one (1), Acts of the Sixty-fourth General Assembly, First Session, is amended to read as follows:

340.3 Salary schedule set by supervisors annually. In December June of each year, the board of supervisors shall, by resolution, compute the salaries of all county officers whose salaries are based on population or taxable valuation of the county, or both, for the ensuing year. In no case shall the salary be less than salaries established in December, 1969. The latest current report of the bureau of census, United States department of commerce and the valuation certified by the department of revenue shall be used. In any year in which the compensation is changed by a change in the law the said computation shall also be made in the month the law becomes effective for the salaries paid for the remainder of said year from the effective date of the new law. If a vacancy occurs in any office, the person who is appointed or elected to fill the unexpired term in the office vacated, shall receive the same salary as the person vacating the office.

For the extended fiscal year commencing January 1, 1974 and ending June 30, 1975, the board of supervisors may in December, 1974, by resolution, compute the salaries of all county officers whose salaries are based on population or taxable valuation of the county, or both, and effect any changes so indicated commencing January 1, 1975.

SEC. 36. Section three hundred forty-four point one (344.1), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

344.1 Annual itemized estimates. On or before the thirty-first day of December June thirtieth of each year, each elective or appointive officer of any county having charge of any county office or department

shall prepare and submit to the board of supervisors a detailed estimate itemized in the same manner that the various expenditures of 8 such office or department are itemized on the records of the county auditor, showing the proposed expenditures of his office or department for the following ealendar fiscal year. If the estimated expendi-10 11 tures show an increase over those for the current year, a statement in 12 writing of the reason for such estimated increase must also be sub-13 mitted.

Section three hundred forty-four point two (344.2), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

Appropriation. On or before the thirty-first of January July thirty-first of every year, the board of supervisors shall appropriate, by resolution, such amounts as are deemed necessary for each of the different county officers and departments during the ensuing fiscal year, and shall specify from which of the different county funds created by law the appropriated sums shall be derived. The appropriations to each separate county office or department shall be itemized in the same manner that the accounts are itemized on the records of the county auditor.

For the extended fiscal year commencing January 1, 1974 and ending June 30, 1975, the board of supervisors no later than January 31, 1974, shall appropriate by resolution such amounts as are deemed necessary for each of the different county officers and departments. and shall specify from which of the different county funds established by law the appropriated sums shall be derived. The appropriations to each separate county office or department shall be itemized in the manner that the accounts are itemized on the records of the county auditor.

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SEC. 38. Section three hundred forty-four point three (344.3), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

344.3 Contingent fund. The board of supervisors may also appropriate to a contingent account for one or each of the county funds, a sum which may be spent for purposes which cannot be anticipated at the beginning of the fiscal year, but said contingent appropriation together with other appropriations shall not exceed the anticipated revenues.

Section three hundred forty-three point eleven (343.11). Code 1971, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

Contracts let on the basis of the budget submitted pursuant to section three hundred nine point ninety-three (309.93) of the Code.

Section three hundred forty-four point seven (344.7). Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

344.7 Report of unexpended balances. On the fifteenth day of October, January, and April, July, and October of each fiscal year, the county auditor shall furnish to each county office or department, a statement showing the various original appropriations to each office or department, expenditures of the office or department from its different appropriation accounts during the expired portion of the year, together with a statement of the balance of the appropriations for said office remaining unexpended.

SEC. 41. Section three hundred forty-seven point thirteen (347.13), subsections nine (9) and ten (10), Code 1971, as amended by chapter two hundred two (202), section three (3), Acts of the Sixty-fourth General Assembly, First Session, are amended to read as follows:

9. Fix at its regular August February meeting in each year, the

9. Fix at its regular August February meeting in each year, the amount necessary for the improvement and maintenance of the hospital during the ensuing fiscal year, and cause the president and the secretary to certify the same to the county auditor before September 1 March first of each year, subject to the provisions of chapter two hundred two (202), section one (1), Acts of the Sixty-fourth General Assembly, First Session.

10. File with the board of supervisors during the fourth week in January July of each year, a report covering their proceedings with reference to such hospital, and a statement of all receipts and expendi-

tures during the preceding ealendar fiscal year.

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SEC. 42. Section three hundred fifty-two point four (352.4), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

352.4 Warrants and payment. Warrants for allowed claims shall be payable January 1 July first following their issuance and only from the domestic animal fund.

SEC. 43. Section three hundred fifty-two point five (352.5), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

352.5 Certified list of warrants. The auditor shall, on January 1 July first of each year, certify to the treasurer an itemized list of all warrants issued during the preceding fiscal year on the domestic animal fund, except warrants issued to pay fees of assessors. If said fund be sufficient, the treasurer shall pay said warrants on presentation. If said fund be not sufficient, said warrants shall be paid pro rata.

SEC. 44. Section three hundred fifty-eight point eighteen (358.18), unnumbered paragraphs one (1) and two (2), Code 1971, are amended to read as follows:

The board of trustees of any sanitary district organized under this chapter shall have the power by ordinance to levy annually for the purpose of paying the administrative costs of such district, or for the payment of deficiencies in special assessments, or for both, a tax upon property within the territorial limits of such sanitary district not exceeding two mills on the dollar of the adjusted taxable valuation of the property within such district for the preceding ealendar fiscal year.

All taxes thus levied by the board shall be certified by the clerk on or before the March first day of September to the county auditor of each county wherein any of the property included within the territorial limits of said sanitary district is located, and shall by said auditor or auditors be placed upon the tax list for the current fiscal year; and the county treasurer, or treasurers, of more than one county, shall collect all taxes so levied in the same manner as other taxes, and when delinquent they shall draw the same interest and penalties. All taxes so levied and collected shall be paid over by the officer collecting the same to the treasurer of the sanitary district.

1 SEC. 45. Section three hundred fifty-eight B point thirteen 2 (358B.13), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

Maintenance expense on proportionate basis. The maintenance of a county library shall be on a proportionate population basis whereby each taxing unit as hereinafter defined shall bear its share 6 in proportion to its population to the whole of said county library district. The board of library trustees shall on or before July 19 January tenth of each year make an estimate of the amount it deems necessary for the maintenance of the county library and shall trans-9 mit said estimate in dollars to the board or boards of supervisors and 10 to the city and town councils within the district. The entire rural 11 12 area of each county in the library district shall be considered as a separate taxing unit. Each city and town which is a part of the county 13 library district shall be considered as a separate taxing unit. The 14 15 board of supervisors and the council of each city and town composing said county library district shall make the necessary millage levies 16 accordingly for library maintenance purposes of not to exceed two mills. Any unexpended balance in the library maintenance fund at the end of the fiscal year shall remain in said fund and be available 17 18 19 20 without reappropriation.

SEC. 46. Section three hundred fifty-eight B point sixteen (358B.16), Code 1971, as amended by chapter two hundred five (205), section one (1), Acts of the Sixty-fourth General Assembly, First Session, is amended to read as follows:

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358B.16 Withdrawal of city or town from district. Whenever any incorporated city or town, having maintained a library pursuant to the provisions of chapter 378 for at least ten years and having levied a tax of its own for the same purpose, shall decide to withdraw from the county library district, it may do so by giving notice by certified mail to the board of library trustees of said county library and the county auditor prior to July 10 January tenth, by the governing body of said incorporated city or town, of its withdrawal from the county library district, and shall cease to be a part of or included in said county library district.

SEC. 47. Section three hundred fifty-nine point thirty (359.30), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

359.30 Cemetery and park tax. They shall, at the regular meeting in April October, levy a tax sufficient to pay for any lands so condemned or purchased, or for the necessary improvement and maintenance of cemeteries thus established, and for the necessary improvement and the maintenance of public parks acquired by gift, devise, or bequest under section 359.29, or for the maintenance and improvement of cemeteries so established in adjoining townships, in case they deem such action advisable.

SEC. 48. Section three hundred sixty-three point twenty-nine (363.29), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

363.29 The fiscal year. The fiscal year for all

363.29 The fiscal year. The fiscal year for all municipal corporations for which taxes are collected through the office of the county treasurer and for all departments, boards, and commissions thereof shall begin on the July first day of January each year and shall end on December 31 June thirtieth following.

1 Sec. 49. Section three hundred sixty-eight A point twelve 2 (368A.12), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

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368A.12 Report to state auditor. On or before the August first secular day in February of each year, the official making the report for each city or town shall forward to the auditor of state a certified copy of the annual report. If such official fails to file his report with the auditor of state within the time prescribed, the auditor may send an examiner or examiners to make the report and the expenses thereof shall be charged against the delinquent city or town.

SEC. 50. Section three hundred seventy point six (370.6), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

Tax levy. The board shall, on or before the February first day of August of each year, determine and fix the amount or rate not exceeding one mill on the dollar in all cities and towns on the taxable valuation of such city or town, to be levied, collected, and appropriated for the ensuing year for general park purposes, and shall cause the same to be certified to the city council, which shall levy such tax or so much thereof as it may deem necessary to promote park interests, and certify the percent thereof to the county auditor with the other taxes for said year; provided, however, that in cities acting under special charter and in cities having a population in excess of seven thousand and less than fifteen thousand, having two hundred or more acres devoted to and set apart for park purposes, said board may in the manner herein provided, determine and fix an additional amount or rate for general park purposes not exceeding three-eighths of a mill on the dollar to be levied, collected, and appropriated for the ensuing year for general park purposes and the said city council, upon certification thereto by said board, may levy such additional tax or so much thereof as it may deem necessary to promote park interests and certify the total percent thereof as hereinbefore provided.

SEC. 51. Section three hundred seventy-two point ten (372.10), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

Additional powers—annual report—tax. Said commission may acquire real estate and riparian and other rights within such city in the vicinity of such stream by donation or purchase, or by condemnation for the public uses herein authorized in the manner provided by law for the taking of private property for public use, and shall take the title to property in the name of the commission and its successors, in trust for the public, and hold the same exempt from It may sell and convey or lease or exchange any property acquired by it, by virtue of this chapter and otherwise. It shall have exclusive control of all the lands acquired by it, and of the banks and waters of such stream for carrying out the purposes of this chapter; may make contracts, and sue and be sued. It shall keep a record of all its transactions, which shall during ordinary business hours be open to inspection by the public, and shall, immediately after the close of each municipal fiscal year, make an annual report of all moneys received and expended by it and for what general purposes, and of all moneys owing to it and by it and for what general purposes, to the city council at the regular November May meeting, and publish such report in some newspaper in the city. The commission shall, subject to the approval of the city council, in each year determine and fix the amount or rate, not exceeding three-quarters of one mill on the dollar, on the taxable value of the taxable property of such city, to be

levied, collected, and appropriated for the ensuing year for the purpose of paying for real estate, including the channel or bed of any 26 27 stream acquired by the commission pursuant to section 372.7, riparian and other rights, for improvements, and for accomplishing the pur-28 29 poses of the creation of said commission, and to provide for the payment of interest upon bonds and to retire such bonds, if any, and 30 to meet the necessary expenses incident to the business of said com-31 mission. Said commission shall, on or before the first Monday in Sep-32 tember March of each year, certify to the county auditor the amount or rate of taxes so fixed, to be known as river-front improvement 33 34fund, and when collected, the same is to be paid over to the city trea-35 surer, and by him paid out on its orders, and the board of supervisors 36 of the county in which said city is situated shall levy said tax as fixed 37 38 by said commission.

Section three hundred seventy-eight point fourteen SEC. 52.

(378.14), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

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378.14 Township tax. The board of trustees of any township which has entered into such a contract shall at the April October meeting levy a tax not exceeding one-fourth mill on the dollar on all taxable property in the township to create a fund to fulfill its obligation under the contract.

Section three hundred eighty-nine point thirty-three

(389.33), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

389.33 Payment under waiver. Unless the owner of any lot or parcel of land against which an assessment for permanent sidewalk is made shall within thirty days from the date of assessment file written objections to the legality or regularity of the assessment or levy of such tax upon and against his property, such owner shall be deemed to have waived objections on these grounds, and shall have the right to pay said assessment with interest thereon not exceeding seven percent per annum in seven equal annual installments, the first of which shall mature and be payable on the date of said assessment and the others, with interest on the whole amount unpaid, annually thereafter, at the same time and in the same manner as the March September semiannual payment of ordinary taxes, provided that if the aggregate of all assessments against the property of an owner is twentyfive dollars or less, such assessments shall be paid in one installment and within thirty days following the levy.

SEC. 54. Section three hundred eighty-nine point thirty-four (389.34), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

389.34 Delinquent tax. Each installment of such taxes, with inter-

est, shall become delinquent on the September first day of March next after its maturity and shall bear the same rate of interest, with the same penalties as ordinary taxes.

SEC. 55. Section three hundred eighty-nine point thirty-eight (389.38), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

389.38 Replace or reconstruct. Cities and towns shall have power to require the abutting property owner to repair, replace, or reconstruct sidewalks, but in the event that such work is not completed within thirty days of date of deposit in the mails of notice to the property owner as shown in the records of the county auditor, by cer-

8 tified mail, then the council may cause such work to be done, and as-9 sess the expense thereof on the property in front of which such work 10 is done, and the same shall be certified and collected as other taxes. If the cost exceeds fifty dollars the same shall be certified for payment 11 12 in three equal annual installments with interest from date of certifi-13 cation on each installment at seven percent per annum until paid and 14 shall be collected as other taxes with the March September semi-15 annual payment thereof.

SEC. 56. Section three hundred ninety-one point sixty (391.60),

Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

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23 24 391.60 Installments — payment — delinquency. The first installment, or total amount of assessment if less than twenty-five dollars, shall mature and be payable thirty days from the date of such levy without interest, and the other assessments, with interest, from the date of levy by the council, on the whole amount unpaid, annually thereafter at the same time and in the same manner as the March September semiannual payment of ordinary taxes. However, the total assessments may be paid without interest thirty days after levy by the council.

Any or all installments not yet paid together with accrued interest

thereon may be paid on the due date of any installment.

All such taxes with interest shall become delinquent on the first day of March September next after their maturity, and shall bear the same interest with the same penalties as ordinary taxes, and when collected the said interest and penalties shall be credited to the same fund as the said special assessment.

Upon the payment of any installment, there shall be computed and collected interest on the whole assessment remaining unpaid up to the

December first day of June following.

SEC. 57. Section three hundred ninety-one A point thirty (391A.30), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

391A.30 Installments—payment—delinquency.

1. First installment. The first installment of each assessment, or total amount thereof if it be less than twenty-five dollars, with interest on the whole assessment from date of acceptance of the work by the council, shall become due and payable on January 1 July first next succeeding the date of such levy unless the assessment is filed with the county auditor less than thirty days prior to such next succeeding January 1 July first after the date of levy.

2. Annual installments. The succeeding annual installments, with interest on the whole unpaid amount, shall respectively become due on January 1 July first annually thereafter and shall be paid at the same time and in the same manner as the March September semiannual

payment of ordinary taxes.

3. Outstanding balance—payments. All future installments of an assessment may be paid on any date by payment of the then outstanding balance plus interest to the succeeding June 1 December first.

4. Delinquency. All such assessments with interest shall become delinquent after the thirty-first day of March September thirtieth next after their due date, and shall bear the same interest with the same penalties as ordinary taxes, and when collected the said interest and penalties shall be credited to the same fund as the said special assessment.

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- 5. Interest period. Upon the payment of any assessment or installment thereof interest shall be computed and collected as aforesaid to the *December* first day of June following the date of such payment.
- 6. Lien of assessment. All assessments shall constitute liens on the lots assessed from the date they are certified to the county auditor and such liens shall have the same preference and priorities as liens for ordinary taxes; provided, that in no case shall the owner of any lot be liable for an assessment greater than provided for in sections 391A.26 and 391A.27.
 - SEC. 58. Section three hundred ninety-one A point thirty-three (391A.33), subsection two (2), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:
 - 2. Form. All such bonds shall be negotiable and shall recite on their face that they have been issued under the provisions of this chapter and are payable as to both principal and interest from the proceeds of the special assessments levied for account of the public improvement. Such bonds shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding seven percent and shall mature serially on June 1 December first of the years in which any of such principal is scheduled to become due and shall contain a provision that the municipality reserves the right and option of calling and redeeming any or all of the bonds on or before July 15 January fifteenth of each year prior to maturity upon such terms as are specified therein.

SEC. 59. Section three hundred ninety-five point thirty-two

2 (395.32), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows: 395.32 Levy and collection. All special assessment

395.32 Levy and collection. All special assessments for the purpose of providing funds for the operation and maintenance of a flood control system shall be levied at one time by resolution of the council on property affected thereby. The provisions of section 391.61, shall apply to the certification of such levy. The provisions of sections 391.58, 391.60, and 391.62 to 391.68, inclusive, shall apply to the collection of such assessments, provided, in the case of special assessments for maintenance and operation of any flood control system, such assessments shall be due and payable within thirty days after the certification of such levy if the amount of the assessment is ten dollars or less, and the entire amount of such assessment if in excess of ten dollars shall be due and payable at the same time and in the same manner as the March September semiannual payment of ordinary taxes. The provisions of sections 404.20 and 404.22 shall apply to special assessments as provided by this section.

SEC. 60. Section three hundred ninety-six point ten (396.10), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

396.10 Maturity—name of street—interest. Each series of bonds shall mature on the first day of either April, May, or June October, November, or December, as may be determined by the council, in the years in which the installments of said special taxes come due, shall bear the name of the street, avenue, highway, alley, or district in which said street improvement or sewer is located, and shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding seven percent per annum, payable annually or semiannually, and coupons for said interest shall be attached thereto.

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SEC. 61. Section three hundred ninety-eight point ten (398.10), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

398.10 Fixing rates. The board of trustees shall from time to time fix the water rentals or rates to be charged for the furnishing of water, and such rates, with the proceeds of the one and one-fourth mill water levy and the sinking fund levy of one-half mill, shall be sufficient for the maintenance and operation of such works and the proper and necessary extension thereof, for all repairs, and for the payment of the purchase price or cost, principal and interest, incurred in the purchase or erection of such works, as the same falls due, according to the tenor of the mortgage and bonds given to secure the payment of such purchase price or cost. The board shall make quarterly statements giving full and complete reports of the receipts and disbursements of the board for the first three quarters of the fiscal year. Said reports shall be filed in the office of the city clerk on the second Monday in October, January, and April, July, and October, for the quarters preceding the first day of said months. The reports shall be audited by the city council.

SEC. 62. Section three hundred ninety-nine point twenty-four (399.24), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

399.24 Payment by city. The sums payable by the city for water furnished as herein provided shall hereafter be paid by the city in May of each year for the last first six months of the preceding current fiscal year, and in November of each year for the first last six months of that current the preceding fiscal year.

SEC. 63. Section four hundred three point fifteen (403.15), subsection five (5), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

5. The mayor shall designate a chairman and vice-chairman from among the commissioners. An agency may employ an executive director, technical experts and such other agents and employees, permanent and temporary, as it may require, and the agency may determine their qualifications, duties and compensation. For such legal service as it may require, an agency may employ or retain its own counsel and legal staff. An agency authorized to transact business and exercise powers under this chapter shall file, with the local governing body, on or before March 31 September thirtieth of each year, a report of its activities for the preceding ealendar fiscal year, which report shall include a complete financial statement setting forth its assets, liabilities, income and operating expense as of the end of such ealendar fiscal year. At the time of filing the report, the agency shall publish in a newspaper of general circulation in the community a notice to the effect that such report has been filed with the municipality, and that the report is available for inspection during business hours in the office of the city clerk and in the office of the agency.

SEC. 64. Section four hundred three A point five (403A.5), unnumbered paragraph six (6), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

The mayor shall designate a chairman and vice-chairman from among the commissioners. An agency may employ an executive director, technical experts and such other agents and employees, permanent and temporary, as it may require, and the agency may determine their qualifications, duties and compensation. For such legal

service as it may require, an agency may employ or retain its own 10 counsel and legal staff. An agency authorized to transact business 11 and exercise powers under this chapter shall file, with the local governing body, on or before March 31 September thirtieth of each year, 12 a report of its activities for the preceding ealendar fiscal year, which 13 report shall include a complete financial statement setting forth its 14 assets, liabilities, income and operating expense as of the end of such 15 ealendar fiscal year. At the time of filing the report, the agency shall 16 17 publish in a newspaper of general circulation in the community a notice to the effect that such report has been filed with the municipality, 18 and that the report is available for inspection during business hours 19 in the office of the city clerk and in the office of the agency. 20

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SEC. 65. Section four hundred four point four (404.4), unnumbered paragraph one (1), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

Municipal corporations shall, at the first meeting of the council after January 1 July first, allocate by resolution the estimated revenue from all levies to the purposes authorized by law and shall allocate sufficient revenue to the debt service fund to pay all bonds and interest thereon as they become due. Said allocations shall also include receipts from sources other than taxes caused to be levied under the provisions of this chapter, estimated unencumbered balances from the previous fiscal year, and any contemplated transfers of funds. The books of the corporation shall reflect at all times:

SEC. 66. Section four hundred four point ten (404.10), subsection four (4), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

4. For the maintenance of a free public library. The board of library trustees shall, on or before the February first day of August in each year, make an estimate of the amount it deems necessary for the improvement, operation, and maintenance of the library and shall transmit said estimate together with a statement of the amount necessary for the purposes authorized by subsection 3 to the council. In no event shall the amount of tax allocated for maintenance purposes exceed the amount that would be derived from a three-mill levy at current valuations, nor shall the amount allocated for purposes of subsection 3 exceed the amount that would be derived from a levy of three-fourths mill at current valuations.

SEC. 67. Section four hundred twenty point two hundred forty-eight (420,248), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

420.248 Penalty or interest on unpaid taxes. Cities which act under special charters and which levy and collect their own taxes shall not collect any further penalty or interest on general taxes remaining unpaid four years or more after September 30 March thirty-first of the year for which such general taxes are levied.

SEC. 68. Section four hundred forty-one point sixteen (441.16), unnumbered paragraphs two (2) and four (4), Code 1971, are amended to read as follows:

Not later than July 1 January first of each year the assessor, the examining board, and the board of review, shall each prepare a proposed budget of all expenses for the ensuing fiscal year. The assessor shall include in his proposed budget the probable expenses for defending assessment appeals. Said budgets shall be combined by the asses-

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Each fiscal year the chairman of the conference board shall, by written notice, call a meeting to consider such proposed budget and shall fix and adopt a consolidated budget for the ensuing year not later than July 15 January fifteenth.

SEC. 69. Section four hundred forty-three point two (443.2), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

Tax list. Before the first day of January July in each year, the county auditor shall transcribe the assessments of the several townships, towns, or cities into a book or record, to be known as the tax list, properly ruled and headed, with separate columns, in which shall be entered the names of the taxpayers, descriptions of lands, number of acres and value, numbers of town lots and value, value of personal property and each description of tax, with a column for polls and one for payments, and shall complete the same by entering the amount due on each installment, separately, and carrying out the total of both installments. The total of all columns of each page of each book or other record shall balance with the tax totals. In any case where in transcribing such assessments any county auditor has heretofore failed or hereafter fails to enter the actual value opposite each item of taxable property on the tax list, then the aggregate actual value, as well as the aggregate taxable value, of all such taxable property within such county and each political or municipal corporation therein shall be transcribed from such books and records of assessment onto such tax list in order that the actual value of the taxable property within each county or other political or municipal corporation therein may be ascertained and shown by the tax list for the purpose of computing the debt-incurring capacity of such county or other political or municipal corporation therein.

SEC. 70. Section four hundred forty-three point four (443.4), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

443.4 Tax list delivered—informality and delay. He shall make an entry upon the tax list showing what it is, for what county and year, and deliver it to the county treasurer on or before the thirty-first day of December June thirtieth, taking his receipt therefor; and such list shall be a sufficient authority for the treasurer to collect the taxes therein levied. No informality therein, and no delay in delivering the same after the time above specified, shall affect the validity of any taxes, sales, or other proceedings for the collection of such taxes.

SEC. 71. Section four hundred forty-four point one (444.1), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

44.1 Basis for amount of tax. In all taxing districts in the state, including townships, school districts, cities, towns, and counties, when by law then existing the people are authorized to determine by vote, or officers are authorized to estimate or determine, a rate of taxation required for any public purpose, such rate shall in all cases be estimated and based upon the adjusted taxable valuation of such taxing district for the preceding ealendar fiscal year.

SEC. 72. Section four hundred forty-four point two (444.2), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

Amounts certified in dollars. When any authorized tax rate within any taxing district, including townships, school districts, cities, towns, and counties, shall have been thus determined as provided by law, the officer or officers charged with the duty of certifying said authorized rate to the county auditor or board of supervisors shall, before certifying the same, compute upon the adjusted taxable valua-tion of such taxing district for the preceding ealendar fiscal year (not including moneys and credits, and other moneyed capital taxed at a flat rate as provided in section 429.2), the amount of tax said rate will raise, stated in dollars, and shall certify said computed amount in dol-lars and not by rate, to the county auditor and board of supervisors.

SEC. 73. Section four hundred forty-four point nine (444.9), unnumbered paragraph one (1), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

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The board of supervisors of each county shall, annually, at its September *March* session, levy the following taxes upon the assessed value of the taxable property in the county:

SEC. 74. Section four hundred forty-five point one (445.1), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

445.1 Duty of treasurer. The treasurer, after making the entry provided in section 445.10, shall proceed to collect the taxes, and the list shall be his authority and justification against any illegality in the proceedings prior to receiving the list; and he is also authorized and required to collect, as far as practicable, the taxes remaining unpaid on the tax books or other records approved by the state auditor of previous years, his efforts to that end to include the sending by mail of a statement to each delinquent taxpayer not later than the May first day of November of each fiscal year.

SEC. 75. Section four hundred forty-five point eight (445.8), subsections one (1) and two (2), Code 1971, are amended to read as follows:

1. The treasurer shall, after October 1 April first, and before December 31 June thirtieth, of each year, enter in a book or other record to be kept in his office as a part of the records thereof, to be known as the delinquent personal tax list, all delinquent personal taxes and delinquent poll taxes of any preceding year which do not appear thereon; if the tax list maintained by said treasurer is such that all delinquent personal taxes and delinquent taxes of any preceding year are at all times therein recorded, then he shall not be required to keep in his office, as a part of the records thereof, a separate delinquent personal tax list.

2. The treasurer shall cause to be compiled a list of all delinquent personal property taxes for the current assessment year, as shown by the delinquent personal property tax list. Such list shall show the amount of the taxes delinquent when the amount of the tax is more than five dollars and the amount of penalty, interest and costs thereon, the name of the owner, if known, or the person, if any, to whom it is taxed, and shall be published in some newspaper in the county once each week for two consecutive weeks, the last of which shall be not more than two weeks before the first Monday in December June, and by immediately posting a copy of the first publication thereof at the door of the courthouse, if there be one, if not, at the door of the place

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where the last term of district court was held. The provisions of sections 446.10 and 446.11 shall prevail in connection with the publication of such notice. The treasurer shall obtain a copy of the notice as published, and a certificate of the publication thereof from the printer or publisher, and file it in the office of the auditor.

SEC. 76. Section four hundred forty-five point thirteen (445.13), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

445.13 Entries—delivery to treasurer—informalities. Said county auditor shall make an entry upon the special assessment tax list showing what it is, for what county, and deliver it to the county treasurer on or before the thirty-first day of December June thirtieth, taking his receipt therefor; such list shall be a sufficient authority for the county treasurer to collect the taxes therein levied. No informality therein and no delay in delivering the same after the time above specified, shall affect the validity of any special assessment taxes, sales or other proceeding for the collection of such special assessment taxes.

SEC. 77. Section four hundred forty-five point twenty (445.20), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

445.20 Penalty and interest limited—unavailable taxes. No penalty or interest, except for the first four years, shall be collected upon taxes remaining unpaid four years or more from the thirty-first day of December June thirtieth of the year in which the tax books containing the same were first placed in the hands of the county treasurer, and the board of supervisors at the January July meeting may declare such tax unavailable, and when so declared by the board, the amount shall be credited to the treasurer by the auditor as unavailable and he shall apportion such tax among the funds to which it belongs.

SEC. 78. Section four hundred forty-five point twenty-nine (445.29), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

445.29 Lien of personal taxes. All poll taxes and taxes due from any person upon personal property shall, for a period of one year following December 31 June thirtieth of the year of levy, be a lien upon any and all real estate owned by such person or to which he may acquire title and situated in the county in which the tax is levied. From and after the expiration of said one year said taxes shall be a lien on all such real estate for an additional period of nine years provided said taxes are entered upon the delinquent personal tax list as provided by law. But in no instance shall said taxes be a lien after the expiration of ten years from December 31 June thirtieth of the year in which levied. This section shall apply to all poll taxes and to all taxes on personal property whether levied prior or subsequent to the time this section takes effect. Personal property taxes, together with any interest, penalty, or costs, shall be a lien in favor of the county upon all the taxable personal property and rights to property belonging to the taxpayer, such lien to relate back to and exist from the July first day of January of the year in which such personal property is assessed. Such a lien shall not be effective or applicable, however, as against the rights of purchasers or mortgagees who acquired an interest in or lien against real estate owned by the resident against whom such tax is assessed before the date that the treasurer files notice of such lien.

Section four hundred forty-five point thirty (445.30),

Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

445.30 Lien between vendor and purchaser. As against a purchaser, such liens shall attach to real estate on and after the thirty-3 4 5 first day of December June thirtieth in each year.

SEC. 80. Section four hundred forty-five point thirty-six (445.36), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

445.36 Payment—installments. No demand of taxes shall be necessary, but it shall be the duty of every person subject to taxation to attend at the office of the treasurer, at some time between the first Monday in January July and the September first day of March following, and pay his taxes in full, or one-half thereof before the September first day of March succeeding the levy, and the remaining half before the March first day of September following.

Section four hundred forty-five point thirty-seven (445.37), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

445.37 When delinquent. In all cases where the half of any taxes has not been paid before the October first day of April succeeding the levy, the amount thereof shall become delinquent from the October first day of April after due; and in case the second installment is not paid before the April first day of October succeeding its maturity, it shall become delinquent from the April first day of October after due.

Section four hundred forty-five point thirty-nine (445.39), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

445.39 Interest as penalty. If the first installment of taxes shall not be paid by April + October first, said installment shall become due and draw interest, as a penalty, of three-fourths of one perent per month until paid, from the October first day of April following the levy; and if the last half shall not be paid by October + April first following such levy, then a like interest shall be charged from the date such last half became delinquent date such last half became delinquent.

SEC. 83. Section four hundred forty-five point forty (445.40), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

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445.40 Penalty on personal taxes. On all personal taxes not paid on or before the first Monday in December June a penalty of five percent shall be added and collected in addition to the three-fourths of one percent per month penalty herein provided; and the tax with all penalties shall be collected at the same time and in the same manner.

SEC. 84. Section four hundred forty-five point forty-three (445.43). Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

445.43 Lien on migratory personal property—maturity of tax. A lien for the tax upon said property as herein provided shall relate back to and exist from the July first day of January of the year for which it is assessed, and if anyone seeks to remove the said property from the county before the tax for said year shall be paid, the tax shall immediately become due and collectible.

SEC. 85. Section four hundred forty-five point fifty-one (445.51), 1 Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

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Current taxes—when delivered for collection. In no case shall delinquent taxes of the current fiscal year be turned over for collection, whether designated by the board or otherwise, before the May first day of November. The provisions of this section shall not apply to counties having a population of eighty thousand or more.

SEC. 86. Section four hundred forty-six point seven (446.7), unnumbered paragraph one (1), Code 1971, is amended to read as fol-

Annually, on the first Monday in December June the treasurer shall offer at his office at public sale all lands, town lots, or other real property on which taxes of any description for the preceding fiscal year or years are delinquent, which sale shall be made for the total amount of taxes, interest, and costs due and unpaid thereon, including all prior suspended taxes, provided, however, that no property, against which the county holds a tax sale certificate, shall be offered or sold. No interest or penalty on suspended taxes shall be included in the sale price, except that six percent interest per annum from the date of suspension shall be included as to taxes suspended under the provisions of section 427.8.

SEC. 87. Section four hundred forty-six point twenty-eight (446.28), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

446.28 Subsequent sale. If, from neglect of officers to make returns, or other good cause, real estate cannot be advertised and offered for sale on the first Monday of December June, the treasurer shall make the sale on the first Monday of the next succeeding month in which the required notice can be given.

Section four hundred forty-seven point two (447.2), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

The penalty for nonpayment of Nonallowable penalties. taxes of any subsequent year or years shall not attach, unless the same shall have remained unpaid until the October first day of April after they become due and have become delinquent, nor shall said penalties apply to taxes voted in aid of the construction of any railroad.

Section four hundred forty-eight point two (448.2), unnumbered paragraph two (2), Code 1971, is amended to read as fol-

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that the following described real estate, viz.: (Here follows the description), situated in the county of and state of Iowa, was subject to taxation for the year (or years) A.D., and the taxes assessed thereon for the year (or years) aforesaid remained due and unpaid at the date of the sale hereinafter named; and the treasurer of said county, having on the day of, A.D., by virtue of the authority in him vested by law, at (an adjournment of) the sale begun and publicly held on the first Monday of December June, A.D. exposed to public sale at the office of the county treasurer in the county aforesaid, in substantial conformity with all the requirements of the statute, the real property above described, for the payment of the taxes, interest and costs then due and remaining unpaid on said

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before the execution of these presents to and of
the expiration of the time of redemption allowed by law; and three
years having elapsed since the date of said sale, and said property
having not been redeemed therefrom:

SEC. 90. Section four hundred fifty-two point six (452.6), Code 1971, as amended by chapter two hundred nineteen (219), section one (1), Acts of the Sixty-fourth General Assembly, First Session, is amended to read as follows:

452.6 Settlement with treasurer. At the meetings in January July and July January of each year, the board of supervisors shall make a full and complete settlement with the treasurer, and shall certify to the state comptroller all credits to him for double or erroneous assessments and unavailable taxes, and all dues for state revenue, interest, or delinquent taxes, sales of land, peddlers' licenses, and other dues, the amounts collected therefor, and revenues still delinquent, each year to itself, which reports shall be forwarded by mail.

SEC. 91. Section four hundred fifty-five point sixty-one (455.61), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:

455.61 Funds — disbursement — interest. Such taxes when collected shall be kept in a separate fund known as the county drainage

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lected shall be kept in a separate fund known as the county drainage or levee fund and shall be paid out only for purposes properly connected with and growing out of the county drainage and levee districts on order of the board. The auditor shall continue to keep a record of each of the drainage and levee district's funds so as to accurately reflect the financial condition of each such district account. The treasurer, on order of the board of supervisors, shall invest such funds not immediately needed for current operating expenses in United States government bonds, in time certificates of deposit, in savings accounts in such banks as the board shall approve, in the interest bearing obligations of the drainage and levee districts of the county, or as provided by chapter 453. Interest collected by the treasurer on the funds so invested shall be deposited in the county drainage or levee fund, and on January 1 July first of each year the auditor shall apportion and credit such interest to each drainage or levee district account in the proportion which the average credit balance of each district bears to the average balance of the county drainage or levee fund. The averages to be ascertained shall be the averages of the balances existing on the first of each month during the ealendar fiscal year immediately preceding. Interest and penalties collected on

- drainage or levee district taxes shall be credited to the district for 24 which the taxes are being collected. This section shall not be con-25 strued so as to permit expenditures in behalf of any district in excess of its share of the county drainage or levee fund. The provisions of 26 27 28 this section shall not apply to drainage and levee districts under trustee management unless the trustees consent thereto, and in the 29 absence of such consent section 462.29 shall apply. 30
 - Section four hundred fifty-five point sixty-four (455.64), subsection two (2), Code 1971, is amended to read as follows:
 - 2. To pay such assessments in not less than ten nor more than twenty equal installments, the number to be fixed by the board and interest at the rate fixed by the board, not exceeding seven percent per annum. One such installment shall be payable at the March September semiannual taxpaying date in each year; provided, however, that the county treasurer shall, at the March September semiannual taxpaying date, require only the payment of a sufficient portion of the assessments to meet the interest and the amount maturing on bonds or certificates prior to the regular time for the payment of the second installment of taxes and the balance shall be collected with such second installment and without penalty.
 - SEC. 93. Section four hundred may nive Code 1971, is amended to read as follows: Section four hundred fifty-five point sixty-seven (455.67), 1
 - $\frac{2}{3}$ 455.67 Lien of deferred installments. No deferred installment of the amount assessed as between vendor and vendee, mortgagor and 4 5 mortgagee shall become a lien upon the property against which it is assessed and levied until the thirty-first day of December June thir-6 7 tieth of the year next preceding that fiscal year in which it is due and payable.
 - Chapter one hundred sixty-five (165), section twenty-1 two (22), Acts of the Sixty-fourth General Assembly, First Session, 3 is repealed.

Approved March 9, 1972.

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CHAPTER 1021

SCHOOL BUDGET CERTIFICATION

H. F. 1045

AN ACT changing the local budget certification date of school districts.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- Section twenty-four point seventeen (24.17), Code SECTION 1. 1971, is amended to read as follows:
- 24.17 Budgets certified. The local budgets of the various municipalities shall be certified by the chairman of the certifying board or 3 the levying board, as the case may be, in duplicate to the county auditor not later than the fifteenth day of August each year and